

TO: Members, National Association of Public Worksite
Health Promotion (NAPWHP)

FROM: Leadership Team, National Association of Public Worksite
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RE: Status of Association and Future Plans

Hello! We want you to know that NAPWHP is alive and well and planning for the future. We want to update you on what has been transpiring in the past few months and to encourage you to join us at the National Wellness Institute Conference in Stevens Point, Wisconsin this July.

Since the Association for Worksite Health Promotion (AWHP) joined the American College of Sports Medicine (ACSM) the leadership team of NAPWHP has been researching potential partners for our organization. Our goal was to keep NAPWHP a separate and distinct organization within a larger wellness association that would offer us member services and an annual conference with a public worksite track. We were also interested in partnering with an organization with a broad definition of health promotion and not as fitness and research oriented as ACSM. ACSM would also not allow us to remain a separate entity within their organization. AWHP graciously allowed us to retain the funds paid by our members, allowing us to move forward with incorporation as a separate entity and to establish ourselves as a 501c3 non-profit organization. By doing this we can generate income and retain our identity.

After much discussion and research, we have decided to partner with the National Wellness Institute (NWI) in Stevens Point, Wisconsin. NWI will allow NAPWHP to remain a separate entity, will provide member services, will not require NAPWHP members to join NWI, will allow us to participate in their annual conference at reduced rates and will offer public worksite breakout sessions at the conference. We are excited about the future for our organization and hope that you will strongly consider renewing your membership with us. We will be contacting you with membership renewal information just as soon as our 501c3 status is in place.

Thank you for your commitment to public employee health promotion and thanks for your patience while we once again become our own organization. If you have questions please feel free to email or call one of us.

Yours in Health,

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Leadership Board Outstanding Program Awards

Purpose:

The award is designed to recognize public organizations that achieve a standard of excellence in employee health promotion.

Selection Process:

Award recipients are nominated by members of the NAPWHP Leadership Board. Awards are presented annually. The Leadership Board will make nominations for the 2002 Awards on August 1, 2002.

2001 Award Winners:

- Maryland State Highway Administration, Baltimore, MD
- San Mateo County, Redwood City, CA
- Healthy People Portage County, Stevens Point, WI
- Utah Department of Corrections, Salt Lake City, UT
- Utah Department of Environmental Quality, Salt Lake City, UT
- The Norman J. Arnold School of Public Health – Prevention Research Center, Columbia, SC
- Thomson Student Health Center, Columbia, SC
- Marion County, Salem, OR
- City of Lacey, Lacey, WA
- City Kirkland, Kirkland, WA

Exemplary Worksite Health Promotion Awards

Purpose:

This award is presented to two outstanding programs each year. One award goes to an outstanding single focus program and one goes to an outstanding comprehensive program.

Selection Process:

Applications for the 2003 award will be available to all NAPWHP members after January 1, 2003. Awards are presented annually. *Note: This award was not presented in 2002 due to NAPWHP administrative changes resulting from the dissolution of AWHF. The award will resume in 2003.*

For More Information: If you would like more information on the NAPWHP awards programs contact Julie McDowell at the Association of Washington Cities, (360) 753-4137 or juliem@awcnet.org.